

HOUSE RESOLUTION 43

By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to recognize Laurice E. Smith upon her receipt of the Living Legends Special Honorary Harriet Tubman Conductors Award.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body should specially recognize those estimable individuals who have dedicated their time and energies toward enhancing the quality of life in their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such individual is Laurice E. Smith, who received the Living Legends Special Honorary Harriet Tubman Conductors Award in recognition of the leadership and service she has provided to the good people of the 86th House District in Shelby County; and

WHEREAS, Laurice Smith earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from California State University at Long Beach, graduate hours from the University of Southern California in Los Angeles and Georgia State University, and her Juris Doctorate from the University of Georgia School of Law; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Smith has over thirty years of legal experience, including twenty-four years in private practice; she has served as assistant city attorney and city prosecutor with the City of Memphis and as an administrative judge and contract mediator with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission; and

WHEREAS, having rendered service as an attorney ad litem and guardian ad litem; she currently serves as a part-time court-appointed divorce referee with the Shelby County Government and part-time court-appointed attorney with the Juvenile Court; and

WHEREAS, she is a member of the Ben F. Jones Chapter of the National Bar Association and Beat the Odds, Inc., in addition to a number of other civic organizations; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Smith is an exemplary individual; her commitment to excellence and community service is representative of the Volunteer State, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor and commend Laurice E. Smith upon her receipt of the Living Legends Special Honorary Harriet Tubman Conductors Award, applaud her outstanding community leadership and service provided to the 86th House District, and extend to her our best wishes for continued success in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.